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Topographic Hydrographic Sheet No.

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Humboldt Bay

NORTHERN GOAST OF OX.

Form 504 Ed. June, 1928 DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY R.S. Patton, Director C. & G. SURV L&A APR 14 1939 Acc. No. DESCRIPTIVE REPORT Topographic | Sheet No. 6 5001 LOCALITY Humboldt Bay NORTHERN COAST OF CALIFORNIA OFF ENTRANCE TO HUMBOLDT BAY 19 29 CHIEF OF PARTY A.P.Ratti H& GE

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

The Hydrographic Sheet should be accompanied by this form, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

Field No. 6

REGISTER NO. 5001

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State CALIFORNIA
General locality NORTHERN COAST Humbolt Bay
Approach Locality OFF ENTRANCE TO HUMBOLDT BAY
Scale 1-10000 Date of survey July 15 to Oct 7, 19 29.
Vessel Chartered Launch Rogue
Chief of Party A.P.Ratti
Surveyed by A.P.Ratti
Protracted by APRatti
Soundings penciled by S.M. Marchand
Soundings in fathoms feet
Plane of reference MLLW Humboldt Bay
Subdivision of wire dragged areas by
Inked by
Verified by
Instructions dated April 27 , 19 29
Remarks:

U M. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

To accompany Hydrographic sheet Field No. 6, Off Entrance to Humboldt Bay, Northern Coast of California.

DATE OF INSTRUCTIONS .-

Nork on this sheet is covered by the Director's instructions of April 27,1929.

SURVEY METHODS .-

All soundings on this sheet were obtained with the hand-lead, and all positions of same were determined by visual fixes using signals located by triangulation in 1919 and 1927 and topography as shown of Sheet field no.F.

DANGERS .-

There are no dangers on this sheet.

SHOALINGS .-

A shoaling of $20\frac{1}{2}$ ft. was found 1445 meters, 285° true, (W & S mag.) from the Lookout Tower (O LOOK). Position of this sounding is recorded in Vol.2, page 9, pos.37 f.

A shoaling of 20½ feet, sandy bottom, is located in

Lat. 40° 46' 1078 meters. 1/30 and 1

Long. 124° 14' 941

Position of this sounding is recorded in Vol.2, page 38, pos. 21 h. A shoaling of 252 feet, sandy bottom, was found in

40° 46' 390 meters. Lat.

1240 14' 1250 28% Long.

Position of this sounding is located in Vol.2, page36, pos. 11h.

REMARKS.-

A complete new survey was made of the area off the entrance to Humboldt Bay and of the bar. This survey was carried into the bay until a satisfactory junction with Chart 5832 was made. Work north and south of the entrance consisted in supplementing the work shown on previous surveys.

Respectfully submitted,

augustus P. Ratti H.& G. E. Chief of Party.

TIDAL DATA SHEET NO. 6.

Location of tide gauge:
Plane of Reference:
Highest Tide:
Lowest "
Type of gauge:

North Jetty, Humboldt Bay, Calif.
MLIW 4.47 feet.
12.7 "
2.2 "
Standard Automatic.

STATISTICS SHEET NO. 6.

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Date 1929		Letter	Volume	Positions	Soundings	Miles Stat.	Vessel.
July	15	a	1	28	116	5.5	Rogue
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11	30	g	2	141	441	20.2	11
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11	20	j	2	34	97	5.8	***
11	23	k	2	13	41	1.7	11
Oct.	2	1	2	29	167	5.7	11
11	7	m	3	98	446	10.5	11
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May 14, 1930

Division of Hydrography and Topography:

Division of Charts:

Tide Reducers are approved in volumes of sounding records for

HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET

5001

Locality:

California (Off Humboldt Bay)

Chief of Party: Plane of reference is A. P. Retti, in 1929 ft. on tide staff at water, reading ft. below B. M. 12.5

Condition of records satisfactory except as checked below:

- 1. Locality and sublocality of survey omitted.
- 2. Month and day of month omitted.
- Time meridian not given at beginning of day's work. Time (whether A.M. or P.M.) not given at beginning of day's work. 4. Time (whether A.M. or P.M.) not given at beginning of day a work.
 5. Soundings (whether in feet or fathoms) not clearly shown in record.
- 6. Leadline correction entered in wrong column.
- 7. Field reductions entered in "Office" column.
- 8. Location of tide gauge not given at beginning of day's work.
- 9. Leadline corrections not clearly stated.
- 10. Kind of sounding tube used not stated.
- 11. Sounding tube No. entered in column of "Soundings" instead of "Remarks".
- 12. Legibility of record could be improved.
- 13. Remarks.

Chief, Division of Tides and Currents.

Section of Field Records

Sheet No 5001 Surveyed in 1929 Chief of Party- a P. Ratti Surveyed by- a.P. Ratti Protected by - a.P. Rath Soundings platted by - G. M. Marchand Verified & Infeed by - & C. M. Bloson I The records conform to the requirements of the general istructions.

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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

WASHINGTON

August 22, 1930.

SECTION OF FIELD RECORDS

Report on Hydrographic Sheet No. 5001

Approach to Humboldt Bay, California

Instructions dated April 27, 1929 (Lieut. A.P.Ratti)

Hand lead soundings

Chief of Party, A. P. Ratti.

Surveyed by A. P. Ratti.

Protracted by A. P. Ratti.

Soundings plotted by G. M. Marchand.

Verified and inked by G. C. McGlasson.

- 1. The records conform to the requirements.
- 2. The plan, character, and extent of the survey satisfy the general and specific instructions, except that the distance between lines on the bar and in the channel sometimes exceeds 50 meters.
- 3. Very few cross lines were run. The agreement of adjacent lines is satisfactory.
- 4. The information is sufficient for drawing the usual depth curves, except those close inshore.
- 5. The junctions with the contemporary sheets H. 4998, H. 4999 and H. 5003 appear satisfactory, but as these sheets have not yet been verified these junctions will be reported on later.
 - a. The junction with H. 4857, inside the bay, agrees fairly well but H. 4857 will probably be superseded by H. 5003 and no overlap was made.
 - b. The western limits of this work agree fairly well with the old sheet, H. 1295.
 - c. Such extensive changes have occurred since the survey of 1919, H. 4096, that this should be superseded by the present survey, H. 5001.
 - d. The 22 foot sounding shown on Chart 5832 in about Lat.

40° 46.2', Long. 124° 14.8', was taken from an advance report of this survey, Letter 601, 1929. There is a 23 and a 23½ foot sounding at this point on the smooth sheet.

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- 6. The usual amount of field plotting was well done by the field party.
- 7. Character and scope of surveying
 - The work was not carried very close to the shore line, particularly just north of the entrance.

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Additional work is not recommended.

Reviewed by R. L. Johnston, June 30, 1930.

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- 9. Reviewed by H. L. Johnston, June 30, 1930.

Approved:

Chief, Section of Field Records (CHARTS)

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IN REPLY ADDRESS THE DIRECTOR
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
AND NOT THE SIGNER OF THIS LETTER

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December 70, 1930.

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The records conform to the requirements, with these exceptions:

a/ No names of leadsmen and their changes, if any on Records pages in remarks columns.

b/ Changes in course are not noted by the abbreviation CC. The difference of 15° or more between the indicated compass courses (corrected for variation) and the courses as deduced by 3 point fixes, may be due to several causes: -deviation, sea and wind currents and the more or less inaccurate determination of the compass bearing in a small boat.

c/Character of bottom - abbreviation not correct e.g., Sd instead of S at pos. 1 a, also at the top of pages 5,6,7 and 8.

d/ Data on the cover label and on title page vol.1 of the position numbers and letters are entered with black ink, instead of blue. Data of title page of vol.3 of position numbers and day letters, are not entered.

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- ed/ List of Signals in vol.1 does not contain positions of and descriptions as required by par. 139 of Gen.Req. for Hydr. Work.
- 2/ In plotting on smooth sheet a/ at beginning and end lines, in many cases the position number is without the day letter b/ the limits of work on adjoining sheets are not shown.
- 3/ In descriptive report a/ no information is given about the channel, its least depth on entrance, controlling depths and the usual draft of vessels that use the channel b/ no information about anchorages c/ no comparison with previous surveys.
- 4/ No approval of Records attached to the descriptive report.
- The plan and extent of development satisfy the General and Specific Instructions, except a distance between lines on the bar and the channel sometimes exceeds

 50 meters, as specified in the instruction. b the space in the channel 150 meters wide along the Northern jetty is not covered. It is suggested that the part of this area from end of the jetty to meridian of Signal Mast could be used as a temporary anchorage in emergency cases. This might be considered important, because other-inner parts of the channel are unsuited for anchorage, owing to their narrowness and shoal depths. c the area North of the entrance, close to the shore line is not covered and d outside limits of the bar to the West are not well defined.
- 6/ Junctions with contemporary sheets on the North and South and with old sheet
 H.1295 are good. There is no contempory offshore sheet. Junctions with chart
 5832 as called for in Par.23 Page 5, Spec. Instruction are also good.

7/ Character and scope of surveying - good.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS SURVEYS

A comparison with H.4096 (1919) shows that vast changes have taken place in the ten years since completion of that survey, owing to the construction of jetties and dredging work etc. during that period, therefore it is recommended that this survey (H.5001) supersede the survey (H.4096).

According to the present survey there is a hookshaped bar, forming at the entrance to the channel, as indicated by the 30 ft. curve. The Bast part of the above curve passes northward at the distance of about 300 meters from the end of the South jetty, leaving on the South an open entrance of this width, with controlling depth of 31 ft. This bar has minimum depths in two separate places; one 23 ft. spot approximately 100 meters in diameter is located 600 meters NW from the end of the South jetty; the other spot of oblong shape with East-West axis 500 meters in length and has a minimum depth of 20 ft. about the center. Its Eastern edge is 700 meters NW from the end of the North jetty, leaving the passage from the North to the channel with controlling depth of 25 ft.

At the entrance to the channel there is a 20% sounding 100 meters North from Signal Blink.

Midway between the jetties and parallel to the channel axis there is a ridge whose western extremity is defined by a 24 ft. sounding 200 meters ENE of Signal Blink and its eastern extremity by an 18 ft. sounding 400 meters SSW from Signal Mast.

The controlling depth in the entrance of the channel (on suitable courses) appears to be 26 ft. 200 meters N of the Signel Blink.

The area between Longitude 124°13' and 124°13'.3 southward from the buoy N 4 in-

cluding the South channel is insufficiently developed for the purpose of defining the South channel and the mouths of the North and South channels, therefore those soundings should be considered in connection with a review of H. 5003.

- 8/ There is no discrepancy between this and the Engineer survey of 1929. It also agrees with chart No 5832, ocasional differences of ½' and l' in soundings not being considered.
- 9/ Additional work is not required.

10/Reviewed by V.V.Kovalevsky.December 30, 1930.

Approved:

Chief, Section of Field Records (CHARTS)

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MOINSTRUCTION To Capt. Ellis In quiding Capt. Kovalansky thru the review of the sheet covering Spinboldt Bay I have been influenced by the Clowing considerations: The primary object was assumed to be, the sifting of the essential or important information from the best available sources and incorporating the findings in a concise condensed, final raport. It was recognized that insuperious is reflected in the inability to distinguish between assential and non-resential details. Therefore, the studies in rewiew have necessarily included the non-respential as well as the resential in order that the proper distinction between the two may be emphasized. In the final writing the non-resentials, it is believed have been largely rliminated - The few non-resentials remaining are retained for the purpose tindicating the scope of the review and for the purpose of affording you the opportunity of defining more clearly the line of deemas Ration between the two restremes. (exented and Non-resential) other details are retained in the review for the purpose of indicating the previous study of the Hydro. Manual specific Instructions etc. The sources of information were as follows: Hydro Marval, Specific constructions, Descriptive Topt, Chart Latters, previous surveys, contemporary Topo Survey, 'U.S. A. E surveys, coast Pilot Fight List adjoining contemporary purveys Aid Proofs, and the Chart. The Terms which to my mind properly describe the mans Equipment for the work. and his attetides towards it are as follows: Keenly observant, Methodically studious, Metentive mentally ASES the necessity for studying minor details only as a mean of reaching an understanding regarding relatively important things. His most impressive attribute appears to be the capacity for grashing the significance of the works as a whole rather than a circumscribed view of the particular purvey. Quizzical, Diligent, Prespectfully Submitted & Blanning

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HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET No.5001...

The following statistics will be submitted with the cartographer's report on the sheet:

Number of positions on sheet	<i>86</i> 2
Number of positions checked	249
Number of positions revised	.5
Number of soundings recorded	3025
Number of soundings revised	. 27
Number of signals erroneously	
plotted or transferred	0

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